

Complete in Christ

Colossians 2:6–15

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*We don't need more than Christ...
We need more of Christ.*

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True fullness is found
in Christ alone

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TWO COMMANDS:

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Command #1
Walk in Christ (vv. 6–7)

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⁶ Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

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Command #2
Watch out for Substitutes (v. 8)

⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.

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Lures that take Captive:

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4. Spiritual Fulfillment beyond Christ

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TWO REASONS:

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Reason #1
Because of Who Christ Is (vv. 9–10)

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⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

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“Jesus’ healings made people “whole” instantly, with nothing missing. Salvation works the same way.” John MacArthur

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because all the fullness of God is in him

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Reason #2

Because of What Christ Has Done (vv. 11–15)

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He Saved Us!!

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¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹² having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.

Colossians 2:11–12

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²⁸ For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. ²⁹ But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.

Romans 2:28–29

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¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses,

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He Secured Us!!

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¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

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